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Re:

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action is the following document:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

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In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

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